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SUBJECT : IMPORTATION OF JEWELRY FROM US TO FRANCE

1. AMCIT DAVID COOPER OF D. COOPER JEWELRY CO, PHILADELPHIA, PA. NOTIFIED THE CONSULATE BY PHONE AT NOON LOCAL TIME ON AUGUST 9 THAT THE FRENCH CUSTOMS AT NICE COTE D AZUR AIRPORT ARE UNWILLING TO RELEASE HIS JEWELRY VALUED AT TWO RPT TWO MILLION US DOLLARS. ACCORDING TO COOPER, THE FRENCH CLAIM HE ENTERED THE CONSIGNMENT WITHOUT THE APPROPRIATE REGISTRATION WITH FRENCH CUSTOMS.

2. PURPOSE OF ENTERING THIS CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF JEWELRY, ACCORDING TO COOPER, WAS FOR PROSPECTIVE SALE TO MIDDLE EAST BUYERS.

3. FRENCH CUSTOMS ARE WILLING TO RELEASE COOPER S PROPERTY UPON RECEIPT OF CONFIRMATION BY US CUSTOMS OFFICE IN PHILADELPHIA AS TO THE IDENTIFICATION OF SHIPMENT, ESTIMATED US DOLLAR VALUE, AND FINAL INTENDED DESTINATION.

4. COOPER IS IN PROCESS OF CONTACTING PHILADELPHIA OFFICE IN VIEW OF OBTAINING REQUESTED DOCUMENTS FROM PHILADELPHIA CUSTOMS OFFICE.

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